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Graniero retires from top scientist post

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ROME, *N.Y.* — John A. Graniero, chief scientist of the Air Force Research Laboratory (AFRL) Information Directorate, retired recently – culminating a government career of more than 35 years.

Graniero, who joined the staff of the former Rome Air Development Center (RADC) in 1965, served in his current position since 1997. He was the principal science and technology advisor to the director in matters of formulation, planning, managing, and integration of the research, exploratory development and advanced development programs for the directorate.

He was also responsible for monitoring the state of national and international science and technology; developing programs to increase the training and professionalism of laboratory scientists and engineers; and representing the directorate at Air Force Materiel Command, Air Force, Department of Defense and national symposia, conferences and meetings.

Graniero previously served as the Rome Laboratory chief scientist for command, control and communications. In previous positions he was responsible for a broad range of technology developments, including phased array antennas, adaptive antennas, spread spectrum technology, very high speed integrated circuit insertion and signal processing technology for Air Force communications systems and advanced Air Force multi-mission surveillance systems.

He was the chairman of the Rome Air Development Center (later Rome Laboratory) critical technology committee on signal processing and chairman of the tri-service joint directors of laboratories technology panel on signal processing. In 1989, he was appointed as a scientific and professional executive as technical director, Rome Laboratory Communications.

Graniero received bachelor of science and master of science degrees in electrical engineering from Syracuse University. He also attended the Leadership for a Democratic Society at the Federal Executive Institute and The Aspen Institute Executive Seminar.

He was named a Rome Laboratory Fellow in 1988 and, in 1987, was the recipient of the Rome Laboratory Harry Davis Award. He is a senior member of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) and a member of the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association (AFCEA). @